

Supply of Power for Irrigation Purposes.

Q.—301. Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY (Malur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether the people of Ahanya, Lakkur Hobli, Malur Taluk have applied for supply of power for irrigation purposes ;

(b) if so, the action taken thereon ?

A.—Sri H. K. VEERANNA GOWDH (Minister for Public Works).—

(a) Yes.

(b) An estimate has been prepared.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—May I know when this estimate was prepared and if so for how much ?

*Sri H. K. VEERANNA GOWDH.—The estimate is prepared for Rs. 23, 306 and the date is not mentioned here.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—May I know the reason for the delay in the sanction of the estimate ?

Sri H. K. VEERANNA GOWDH.—It depends upon the completion of the estimate and then arrangements will be made for supply of power. The parties must also be ready to do their part of the work. Therefore, there is a little delay.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—May I know the stage at which the estimate is at present ?

Sri H. K. VEERANNA GOWDH.—That is under scrutiny and it is under submission.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—Will the Government be pleased to sanction it very early ?

Sri H. K. VEERANNA GOWADH.—I need hardly say that we will do it. The Government is bound to do it.

Multi-purpose Co-operative Societies in Malur Taluk.

Q.—305. H. C. LINGA REDDY (Malur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) the number of M. P. C. S. in Malur Taluk ;

(b) the number of them that are working ;

(c) the steps taken to revive the defunct ones ?

A.—Sri A. BHEEMAPPA NAIK (Minister for Co-operation).—

(a) There are eleven Multipurpose Co-operative Societies in the Taluk. (One of them is the Taluk Multipurpose Co-operative Society).

(b) Of these, two Multipurpose Co-operative Societies are working.

(c) Of the remaining 9 Societies, 3 Societies are proposed to be re-organised as large sized Co-operative Societies and the other six Societies are proposed to be amalgamated with large sized Societies.

The Taluk Multipurpose Co-operative Society is proposed to be converted into a Marketing Co-operative Society.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—May I know the reasons why these societies are not functioning, Sir ?

Sri A. BHEEMAPPA NAIK.—As the Hon'ble Member knows, there are several reasons for their becoming dormant. In Kolar District, Rural industrialisation scheme was taken up and all attention was rivetted towards the rural industrialisation/co-operative societies. That is one reason as to why these societies became dormant. Again food control was removed later on, and these societies had not much work. That is one reason. Now we have the District Banks and we are trying to give loans through this organisation short term and medium term loans to the agriculturists. So, hereafter, we hope that they will work better.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—Are the Government aware that the facility of short term and medium term loan is impeded on account of these societies being dormant in the taluks ?

Sri A. BHEEMAPPA NAIK.—It is just the reverse. It is true they are dormant. But we are trying to revive them.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—What are the steps taken by the Government to revive these societies ?